

REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF ENFIELD,

ALSO, OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

For the Year Ending

MARCH 1, 1856.

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ACCOUNTS.

The Auditors of the Town of Enfield, for the year ending February 25, 1856, having attended to the duties assigned them, submit the following

REPORT:

The Selectmen credit the Town with sundry items, as by their account, amounting to	\$5869.75
They charge the town with sundry items, as per acct.,	5020,38

Leaving in the hands of the Selectmen, due the town, \$849.37

They find the accounts correctly cast and well vouched.

WILLIAM C. SMITH, CONVERSE GOODHUE, N. W. WESTGATE,	}	Auditors.
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The Town of Enfield in Account with their Selectmen, from March 1st, 1855, to Feb. 25th, 1856, Cr.

Received of the Selectmen of 1854,	\$1213.12
“ the whole amount of Taxes of 1855, resident and non-resident,	4039.27
“ School-House Tax for District No. 15, (Fox Hollow,)	293.37
“ State Railroad Tax,	176.22
“ Literary Fund,	118.10
“ Interest on M. Purmort's tax-bill of 1853,	16.32
“ “ on C. Goodhue's “ 1854,	4.00
“ of Overseer of the Poor of 1854,	5.00
“ of J. F. Bryant and J. C. Clough, for hearse, harness, and pall-cloth,	4.35
Total amount of credit,	\$5869.75

The Town to the Selectmen, Dr.

Paid State Tax,	338.80
Paid County Tax,	447.10
Paid School-House Tax, Dist. No. 15,	400.00
Paid School Tax,	
Dist. No. 1, North Enfield, 115 scholars	\$153.27
2, Shaker Hill, 27	50.99
3, Jones Hill, 18	43.43
4, East Village, 21	45.95
5, Abel Low, 20	45.11
6, Benj. Skinner, 18	43.45

Paid 7, David Stevens, 32	55.19
8, N. Currier, 2d, 21	45.95
9, W. C. Smith, 27	50.99
10, George Hill, 44	65.27
11, Centre Village, 64	82.07
12, Town House, 46	66.95
13, Ch. fam. Sh'k'rs 71	87.95
14, H. Purmort, 3	30.83
15, Fox Hollow, 33	56.03
16, H. Stickney, 15	40.91
17, Fish Market, 31	54.35
18, Jason Kidder, 34	56.87

 640 Scholars,

Amount School Tax, \$1075.56

Land damages and building new roads—

Mountain Road to Lebanon line, laid out in 1853.

Paid Jonathan Howe for land damages, \$90.00

Daniel L. Smith, do. 35.00

L. C. Moody for building said road 205.00 330.00

New Road at North Enfield, near bedstead factory,

Pd Wm. C. & B. Smith for land dam. 103.00

C. M. Dyer do. 12.00

Cambridge & Huse do. 10.00

Richard Goss, do. 10.00

C. Washburn, do. 1.00

Wm. Huse, land dam. and w'k on road, 35.58

L. C. Moody, work on said road, 92.00 263.58

Plank and Work on Roads besides Highway Tax—

Paid Wm. Huse for plank and work on Bridges at

North Enfield, \$73.73

 (To 4750 ft. plank on the bridge be-
low the Shaker Mills, \$38.00

To 208 ft. on bridge above do. 1.66

To 5 lbs. Spikes, do. 25

To Work on Bridges, 2.75

To 375 ft. plank on Bridge near J.

Huntoon's, 3.00

To 274 ft. Plank on bridge at Shaker

Hill crossing, 2.19

To work on bridges, 34

To Timber and Plank on Bridge near

A Huse's, 886 ft. 7.09

To work on the same, 1.50

To 540 ft. plank, 4.32

To 1189 ft. of Timber on bridge near

S. P. Follansbee's, 7.13

To 2 day's work on the same, 2.50

To oxen one day, 1.00

To 250 ft. of plank,	2.00	
Paid Rowel Colby for plank and work on Road in his District,	8.00	
To 779 feet plank for bridges,	4.67	
To Timber do.	.25	
To work on road and bridges,	3.08	
Paid D. M. Stevens for plank and work on road in his District,	9.00	
To 4 day's work on the road,	3.00	
To 70 ft. plank,	40	
To breaking out highway,	5.60	
Paid D. F Johnson for plank and work on road in his District,	7.00	
To 492 feet plank,	3.44	
To plank, fix bridge,	1.49	
To fixing bridge,	75	
To fixing bridge, Hill road, and plank,	1.32	
Paid T. Merrill 172 feet plank,	1.20	
C. Goodhue, 2d, 428 ft. plank & 2 day's wk,	4.86	
Thomas Goodhue, 428 ft. plank,	2.98	
Wm. Brownall, breaking out highway,	2.00	
F. P. Carrier, breaking out highway & wk,	14 04	
To 1792 ft. plank, \$7 pr M.	12.54	
To 1 1-2 day's work,	1.50	
Paid Henry Morse, 4 day's work and 57 ft. plank,	4.65	
Ansel P. Howe, plank and work on Stony Brook road,	44.56	
To 27 3-4 days work,	29.25	
To 1501 ft. plank and timber,	13.91	
To cart 2 days, plough & scraper 1 day,	1.40	
Paid Abijah Emerson, 110 ft. plank, 78, and 11 3-4 day's work,	11.70	12.48
Eben Gove, 381 ft. timber and plank, 6 days' work, and damage of plow,	10.57	
Timothy Kidder, Jr., 5 day's work, plough, scraper, and cart, 1 1-2 day each,	6.55	
E. Little, Jr., 156 ft. plank & timber on road	1.24	
A. French, for plank, 400 ft.	2.00	
David Barnard, plank and work on road,	5.39	210.25
To 438 ft. of plank, \$7 per M.	3.06	
To drawing plank,	50	
To labor on highway,	1.83	
Abatement in Taxes—		
Nathan Currier, 2d, on tax bill of 1831,	5.00	
John Purmort, on tax bill of 1845-6,	5.00	
Eleazer Chesley, taxes and int. 1849,	3.58	
Uri Perley, for int. paid on abatement of taxes for 1842,	1.43	15.01

Paid on M. Purmort's bill of 1852—

George Brockway 1.73, Stephen Church
1.73, Artemas Keith 1.73, James Richardson
1.73, Edwin Tucker 1.73, Amos Folsom 1.73,
and interest on the same, 1.27, 11.65

M. Purmort's bill of 1853—

Amos Barnes 1.64, Alanson Bosworth 1.64,
John Sanborn 1.64, B. C. Stone 1.64, R. A.
Webber 1.64, Ammi Willard 13.63, 21.83

M. Purmort's bill of School-House tax in
No. 1, 1853—

Webster D. Huse 3.37, Lucien Rider 3.69, Ste-
phen Smith 2.45, G. W. Bugbee 1.00, Ami
Will'd 20.40, B. C. Stone 2.45, R. A. Webber 2.45 33.81

C. Goodhue's bill of 1854—

Randall Andrews 1.74, John S. Brown 1.74,
Chellis Currier 2.77, Abram Folsom 1.74, Reu-
ben Gile 1.74, Webster D. Huse 1.74, S. W.
Hines 1.74, Washington Howe 1.74, Gustavus
Ladd 1.74, S. M. Livermore 1.74, John Morse
2d 1.74, Moses Nichols 2d 1.74, Jos. Naud 1.74,
Albert Spear 1.83, J. S. Skinner 1.74, James
Talbot 1.74, Wm. C. Webster 1.74, Moses J.
Webster 1.49, Wm. T. Wilson 1.74, James
Worthen 11.12, Nathan Flanders 1.74, Wm.
Marstin 1.74, D. Baker (highway tax) 1.92,
Franklin Kimball 1.74, interest on same, 2.11, 44.35

D. F. Johnson's bill of 1855—

Orson Day (over taxed) 2.03, G. W. Choate do
1.50, Nathaniel Howe 2d do 5.50, Hiram Ad-
ams do 5.04, Wm. Marstin do 1.80, J. C. Pat-
tee do 14.67, Dimick Baker, (tax worked out)
1.46, Esther Gates do 1.33, Charles W. Con-
nell 1.80, B. F. Niles 1.80, C. L. Tillerson 1.80,
J. B. Rowell 1.80, G. W. Haven 1.80, E. L.
Thayer 1.80, Isaac B. Harris 1.80, 45.93 174.58

Town Officers' Services—

J. C. Clough as Selectman 36 days,	53.75	
Wm. Huse do 18 days,	22.54	
Eli Story do 20 1-2 days,	25.85	102.14
J. F. Bryant as Town Clerk,		8.00
F. S. Blish as Superintending School Com.	17.00	
B. W. Clough, do do,	17.00	
B. F. Skinner, do do,	5.00	39.00
D. F. Johnson, for collecting taxes,		37.00

Miscellaneous—

S. E. Day's note and interest,	66.00
Wm. Washburn, Jr. do,	137.72
David Kimball, for printing Town Reports,	15.00

C. C. Dodge, for expense repairing Town Hearse,	38.76
1 set Eliptic Springs,	6.13
1 pr hinges,	37
Express bill,	40
49 ft pine timber,	1.47
Ash lumber,	35
Bolts and rivets,	31
1 Cushion,	2.50
2 3-8 lbs Ro. Iron	13
Screws,	23
1 gross screws,	38
2 lb Nails, 1 paper Brads,	22
1-2 lb Glue, 2 yds cloth,	32
3-4 yds cloth,	08
Paid S. Marstin for repairing irons,	25
10 3-4 days' work repairing hearse,	16.12
Edward Eaton for iron work on do.	3.50
Painting hearse,	6.00
John S. Woodman, School Commissioner,	25.40
Theophilus Green, repairing & washing town house,	2.00
J. F. Bryant, for blank books and warrants,	1.97
F. P. Currier, for military duty,	2.00
Perry Kidder, do do	2.00
W. W. Butman, do do	1.00
Uri Perley for going to Lebanon to get town reports printed, 1854,	1.25
Sec'y of State for copy of non-resident tax list,	2.00
J. F. Bryant for 4 check lists,	68
N. W. Westgate, for services and cost in the case Springfield vs. Enfield, 1854, for the support of W. Hopkins, a pauper,	56.45
Advice and retainer,	2.00
Feb. Tr. Sull. ss. C. C. P. Tr fee & con.	6.00
1 day taking dep. & preparing case for tr'l	5.00
Aug: Tr. C. C. P. Tr. fee and con.	6.00
Making briefs for S. C. J.	5.00
Aug. Tr. S. J. C., 5 days at Concord,	25.00
Taking depo. of Hopkins,	1.00
1855, Feb. Tr. C. C. P. Term fee & con.	6.00
Expenses,	8.95
Paid Clerk for copy of case,	1.00
Tr. C. C. P. Term fee,	6.00
Cr by bill cost, Enfield v. Springfield	15.50
J. C. Clough, for expenses, postage and stationery,	3.11
T. Merrill, M. Purmort, and G. W. Johnson, com- mittee to locate School House lot in Dist. No. 15,	4.50
J. F. Bryant, for recording births, deaths and marriages,	3.24
A. Buswell, for returning births and deaths, 1854,	1.05
John Clough do do	1.25
D. F. Johnson, 1 cord wood for town house,	1.50

Shaker Mills Co. for damage drawing water while building over abutments of Bridge at North Enfield, (contract made 1853)	\$15,00
Allen Burnham for damage done his wife and waggon in a bridge out of repairs in 1854	7,00
John R. Heath for damage by laming horse on road	6,00
R. C. Bryant overseer of the poor	596,14
Auditors services	9,00
Uri Perley on note and interest	474,35
J. C. Clough one year's interest on note	60,00
Asa Paddleford, Jr., Estate one year's int.	60,00
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	\$5020,38

Liabilities against the town, March, 1856.

Uri Perley's Note	\$1000,00	
J. C. Clough do	1000,00	
Asa Paddleford Jr's. Estate	1000,00	
James Currier's Note and int.	237,44	
Estimated due J. R. Heath for services on the farm April 1st, 1856	225,00	\$3462,44
In Selectmen's hands		849,37
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		\$2613,07
We find an error in the liabilities of last year's report. There was due School District No. 15 \$125,00		
There was due School District No: 1	35,00	\$160,00
Making \$160,00 which should have been added to the then liabilities of the town		\$2604,00
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Making said liabilities		2764,00
This year the liabilities are		2613,07
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Having lessened said liabilities		150,93

The Auditors appointed to settle with the Overseer of the Poor for the year ending Feb. 25th, 1856, having attended to the duties assigned them make the following Report:—

The Overseer charges the town with sundry items that he has paid out amounting to \$1028,20
 He credits the town with sundry items amounting to 1028,20
 According to his estimate there is now due from the County 125,05

W. C. SMITH
 CONVERSE GOODHUE } AUDITORS.
 N. W. WESTGATE }

OVERSEER'S ACCOUNTS.—CREDIT TO THE TOWN.

Received of the County,	\$160.00
Town of Gilmanton,	24.79
" Hill,	21.87
" Newport,	7.10
" Lebanon,	45.85
Selectmen of Enfield,	418.30
J. W. Sulloway, for 2 pelts,	1.25
do. for 46 lbs. unwashed wool,	13.80
James R. Johnson, error on charge,	20
do. 7 1-2 lbs. calf skin,	94
Cash, \$20.00, 100 lbs Butter, \$20.00,	40.00
6 dozen pairs Feetings,	15.84
72 lbs. Cowhide,	15.14
of Edward Eaton, for 4 bbls. cider,	5.00
Jonathan Keith for 2 do.	2.50
William Wilson, for work of J. R. Heath,	6.00
Clement Smith, for do.	3.00
D. F. Johnson, do.	2.00
G. W. Johnson, do.	2.25
Samuel Winship, for 8 Turkeys,	3.60
James R. Johnson, for cider,	45
G. W. Johnson, for 1 barrel cider,	1.50
John C. Fuller, 20 gallons cider,	80
C. C. Dodge, 1 barrel cider,	1.25
Smith Marstin, 1 chicken,	50
Bartlett Clough, 1 yoke steers,	67.50
" " yearlings,	32.50
R. W. Currier, 20 gallons cider,	80
J. F. Bryant, 121 lbs. cheese, 10c	12.10
do. 51 lbs. Butter, 23c.	11.73
do. 3 Pelts, 50c	1.50
Cash of Selectmen, to balance,	178.14
Total credit from March 1st, 1855, to March 1st, 1856,	\$1028.20

THE TOWN, DR.

To paid Eunice Edwards for boarding, clothing and nursing	
Joseph Edwards,	52.00
for provisions for Maxwell family,	45.85
G. W. Clark, 200 lbs. corn meal 5.00, 2 bu rye 2.90, 1 bag	
flour 2.90, 200 lbs corn meal 5.06, 19 lbs flour for Collins	
1.00, 76 lbs flour for Collins 4.00, 2 bags flour for Collins,	
5.50,	26.30
D. F. Johnson, 3 bu corn 3.75, Dry wood for town hall 1.00	
1 cord wood for W. Welch 1.50, 4 bu corn for do 5.00, 2	
bu Rye for do 3.00, Fare of Stevens boy 17,	14.42
J. W. Sulloway, 2 cords dry wood 2.92, 12 3-4 lbs yarn 6.37.	9.29
T. Merrill, 2 cords and 58 ft wood 2.54, 1 cord hard wood	
1.50, 1 cord soft wood for W. Welch 1.00,	5.04
James Jackman, 3 1-2 bu wheat,	8.00
J. F. Pattee & Co., 143 lbs flour 7.86, 4 lbs Y H Tea 2.00	9.86
A. B. Proctor, Shoeing oxen 4 times and mending chains,	6.87
Eben R. Dustin, digging grave for Betsey Marstin,	2.00

Benjamin Choate, 3-4 bu. potatoes 50, 1 gal molasses 30, 1 lb butter 20,	1.00
G. W. Conant, 102 lbs pork,	12.75
J. F. Bryant, 24 lbs pork,	3.36
J. F. Pattee & Co., 50 lbs flour 2.75, 21 lbs pork 2.31, 1-4 lb tea 11, 1-2 lb cream tartar 20, (for Thurston)	5.37
A. C. Fifield, 32 qts milk for Fisher	1.60
N. S. Dustin, 560 lbs of hay,	5.00
J. F. Pattee & Co., 1 bbl clear pork,	20.50
Warren How, boarding Sam'l Stevens 22 days 11.00, making crutches 25, 1 bottle liniment 25, other medicines 37, boarding S. Stevens family 1 week, 2.00,	13.87
S. Flanders, boarding, clothing and nursing Houston child 18 weeks at 1.25 per week,	22.50
J. F. Pattee & Co., 18 1-4 lbs pork for Thurstin,	2.00
2 bbls. flour,	25.00
G. W. Clark, for B. L. Thurston, 4 bags flour 11.13, 75 lbs corn meal 1.84, 1 bu. corn 1.25,	14.22
J. F. Bryant, 2 bags flour 5.50, 1-2 bu beans, 88,	6.38
R. C. Bryant, 7 lbs pork, 57, 39 1-2 lbs mutton 2.69, 40 lbs flour, 2.25,	5.51
David Heath, boarding and clothing child of Irena Heath, 7 mo's ending March 22d, 1855,	9.67
John Babbitt, boarding the children of Stephen Smith, 11 1-2 months,	25.00
Dr. John Clough. doctoring G. Fisher,	4.00
Converse Goodhue, 1-2 ton hay,	9.00
G. W. Clark, 10 bu corn,	12.30
J. F. Pattee, 12 lbs pork 1.32, 50 crackers 25, 2 lbs sugar 14, 1-2 lb tea 25,	1.96
Ichabod Heath, 1 Shoat 7.00, 12 bu potatoes 7.20,	14.20
David M. Stevens, Thrashing grain 2.90, use of mill to make 15 1-2 bbls. cider, 1.95.	4.85
David Heath, boarding the child of Irena Heath 23 weeks ending Sept. 11, 1855,	11.50
Paid T. Merrill for 14 1-2 lbs lard 1.99 ; 6 lbs soap 48	\$2.47
Jona Andrews repairing shoes	50
George Seaver 1430 lbs hay	8.64
John G. Flanders 11 1-2 bu potatoes	6.90
Wm. Washburn 1-2 bu corn for Fisher	63
G. W. Clark 50 lbs corn meal	1,20
G. W. Conant & Co., for Collins family, 1-4 lb tea 13, 4 lbs sugar 32, 8 3-4 lbs pork 1.22, 1 lb candles 18, 6 lbs fish 30, 1-2 lb tea 25, 1 lb saleratus 06, 9 1-2 lbs pork 1.33, fine salt 10, 1 lb candles 17, 3 15-16 lbs lard 55, 3 1-2 lbs fish 21, 1-2 lb tea 25, 5 1-2 lbs pork 83, 4 lbs fish 24, 4 lbs pork 68, 1-2 lb tea 25, 1 lb candles 18, 6 lbs pork 90, 1-4 lb cassia 11, 1-2 lb tea 25, 1 lb coffee 13, 1 lb candles 17, 5 1-4 lbs codfish 21, 1-2 lb tea 25, 1-2 gall molasses 25, 1 lb candles 18, 7 lbs pork 1.05, 1-2 gall molasses 25, 1 lb saleratus 06, 1-2 lb tea 25, 1 lb crushed sugar 11, salt 02, 6 lbs fish 36, 2 lbs sugar 18, 1 lb candles 17, 1 lb coffee 13, 6 1-4 lbs fish 31, 1-2 lb tea 25, 3 10-16 lbs butter 90, 4 qts beans 25, bag salt 20, 1 lb saleratus 06.	14.25
James R. Johnson 1 pr shoes 1.00, 9 tin pans 1.92, 5 lb rice and 2 yds drill. 90, 2 1-2 yds calico and 2 lbs sugar 41, cam-	

phor and tea 30, 3 lbs lard and 1 p garden seeds 1.07, 3 lbs soap and 2 lbs saleratus 36, 1 shovel and 1-2 bu peas 2.13, 1 clothes line and 1-2 bu herds grass seed 2.62, 16 lb clover seed 2.67, 2 bu salt and 4 bu oats 4.30, 1 pr shoes and 2 butter tubs 1.83, 1 bag flour 3.00, 6 1-2 lbs tea 3.25, 1 scythe stone and bottle castor oil 28, 1 pr shoes 92, 2 axe handles and 1-2 bu salt 78, earthen pot 12, 29 yds calico 3.43, 28 yds blue drill 3.50, 46 1-2 yds sheeting 4.65, 3 lbs tobacco and 5 thread 95, 10 lbs nails and 10 lights glass 85, 1 qt oil and bottle 31, 3 lbs candles and 19 lbs pork 3.67, 6 lbs saleratus and 1 gourd stick 54, 7 1-2 lbs tea 3.75, 1 qt oil 25, 2 cards hooks and eyes 06, 1 lb sulphur and rat trap 55, 1 broom and paper needles 30, merchandize 40. 49.87

J. R. Johnson, for Fisher, 1 bag flour 3.00, 1 bu corn 1.25, 3 lbs sugar and 10 lbs pork 1.50, 4 tiers wood 3.60, 1 bu potatoes 63, 2 lb candles and merchandize 49, butter and lard 78, 1 cord wood 1.62, 2 1-2 lbs butter 63, 4-6-16 lbs butter and 2 lbs sugar 1.26, 12 lbs dried apple 96, 1 cord wood 1.62, 1 bag flour 3.12, 10 lbs veal 40, 1 cord wood 1.50. 22.36

J. R. Johnson, for old Mr. Keith, 10 yds red flannel 3.34, 2 prs feetings 67, 1 ready made vest 2.00, thread and buttons 10, 1 handkerchief 17, paid Mrs. Newell for making shirt and drawers 1.00 7.28

John C. Clough, 1-2 day on town farm appraising property 75, 2885 lds hay 23.08, 2 bu beans 6.00, 1 pk seed corn 50, 39 ft hard wood joice 30, tillage land for Fisher 2.67. 33.30

J. F. Pattee, 16 lbs pork 1.76, 1-4 lb tea 12, tobacco 12. 2.00

Edward Story, 1 cupboard 5.00, 50 lbs salt beef 3.50, 1 toller to cheese hoop 25, wood for H. Annis 1.00, sawing the same 50, house rent 1 year for H. Annis 12.00, coffin for Betsey Marstin 3.50, robe 1.75, cap and collars 67. 28.17

R. C. Bryant, for George Fisher C. P. 10 lbs mutton 1.22, 27 lbs meat 1.89, 1 bu corn 1.17, 1 bu wheat 2.25. 6.53

T. Merrill, 1 three quarter auger 24, 3 bags 1.00, 5 bu corn 6.25, 1 bu rye 1.34. 8.83

Butinan and Clough, for G. W. Fisher, 20 lbs pork 2.50, 1 bag flour 2.60, 3 doz crackers 18, 1-2 gall syrup 25, 1 1-4 lb sugar 10, 2 bu potatoes 1.40, 15 lbs pork 1.88, 6 1-2 lbs veal and 4 lbs butter 1.06, 1-2 lb tea 21, 3 bags flour 7.98, 8 1-2 lbs pork 1.25 19.44

—1-2 gall molasses and 42 1-2 lbs fish 2.09, bag of salt 28, 6 lbs lard and 10 3-4 lbs fish 1.32, 1-2 lb tea and 1-4 gross matches 38, 1 lb cream tartar and 5 lbs soap 80, 1 gall molasses 33, 1-2 lb tea and 6 lbs coffee 96, 3-4 rennet skin 35, bed cord 38, 1-4 bu peas and 1 pr shoes 1.30, 1 file and set of needles 14, 1 axe helve and 27 lbs fish 1.50, 1 lb wicking and pr mittins 75, 3 bu salt and bag salt 2.55, 1 cord wood and 1-4 gall oil 1.43, 1 oz nutmeg and 1-4 lb cassia 20, 2 lb raisins and 1-4 lb pepper 45, 2 papers pins and 3-4 lb bees-wax 37, 1-2 lb salt petre 08, 3 bu corn 3.75, 1 bu wheat 2.00. 21.41

R. W. Currier, 1 cord wood for W. Welch. 1.50

Jona Keith, boarding Jephtha Keith from March 31st. 1855, to July 2d, 1855. 20.00

—boarding Jephtha Keith, from Feb. 22d, 1854, to

April 1st, 1855.	8.25
Hiram Adams, boarding Jephtha Keith 5 days	1.00
Butman and Clough, bag of flour for Geo. Fisher	2.75
J. F. Pattee, Collins family,	
4 lbs pork and 2 3-4 lbs butter 1.05, 2 lbs sugar and 6 1-4 lbs	
pork 92, 6 1-2 lbs butter 1.08.	3.05
Ichabod Heath, 2 days work on town farm	1.50
Henry Thatcher, work on same	3.23
Luther C. Moody, work on farm, himself 5 days, and boy 6	
days.	8.75
Edward Eaton, Blacksmithing	4.42
Stephen Butman, for work on farm, himself 1 day and boy 2	
1-2 weeks	10.33
Samuel Winship, work on farm	2.60
John R. Heath, 2 baskets 75, 1 sauce bbl 1.00, half a barrel	
pickles 34.	2.09
J. F. Bryant, 42 lbs sugar 3.36, 20 1-2 lbs lard 2.87, 30 lbs	
codfish 1.50, 5 lbs tea 3.00, 2 lbs cream tartar 80, 1 bottle	
liniment 33, 3 lbs cr sugar 30, 1 axe 1.17, 10 1-3 gall molas-	
ses 3.88, 3 3-4 yds linsey 58, 5 lbs butter 1.27, 1-2 lb tobacco	
10, 2 brooms 55, 3 6-16 lbs butter 85, 1 butter tub 34, tobac-	
co 16, 10 lbs saleratus 63, 2 brooms 50, 1 lb cassia 45, 5 lbs	
candles 75, 1-4 gross matches 12, 2 lbs tobacco 40, 5 lbs nails	
30, 1 file 08, 1-2 lb pepper 08, 5 papers g seeds 25, 27 yds	
prints 2.97, 18 yds do 2.25, 5 yds cotton cloth 42, hooks and	
eyes 08, buttons 03, 1-4 lb carrot seed 20, 2 bags plaster 3-	
50, 2 papers pins 10, 4 lbs cra sugar 40, 1 spool thread and	
3 1-2 yds demins 49, 1-4 lb cotton thread 17, 9 5-8 gall molas-	
ses 3.20, 25 lbs sugar 2.00, 15 lbs dried apples 1.20, 1 lb	
ginger 12, 3 rakes 45, 3 lbs salmon 38, paper tacks 03, 1 but-	
ter tub 25, 1-2 lb salt petre 10, 3 oz paragoric 15, 1 1-4 twine	
30, 1 pr suspenders 16, shaving soap 06, essence pepper-	
mint 10, 1-4 lb thread 20, 1 vest 1.50, wire 10, 1 set ox balls	
20, 1 box pills 25, 1 gall s. h. syrup 56, 1 bag salt 33, corro-	
sive sublimate 10.	47.04
— for Houston boy, 3 yds prints 37, 1 pr shoes 38, 2 yds	
brown linen 75, 1 p. l. hat 13.	1.63
Dr. John Clough, doctoring Houston boy, 50, Geo. Fisher 50,	
Betsey Marstin 1.00, Widow Burnham 84.	2.84
Theo. Green for work on plasturing,	84
J. F. Bryant, for W. Welch, 2 cords wood 3.00, 1 bag flour	
2.80, 5 1-2 lbs pork 92, 4 qts Beans 31. 5 1-2 lbs Fish 26.	
1 3-4 lbs butter 42, 15 1-2 lbs beef 1.07, 36 lbs do 2.52, 4	
qts salt 10, 13 1-2 lbs hogshead 74, 4 lbs lard 64, 2 lbs But-	
ter 48,	13.26
J. W. Sulloway, 4 1-2 lbs yarn,	2.55
23 3-4 do	15.25
Thomas Goodhue, setting 10 hoops 40, butchering a cow 50,	
mending milk pans 25, use of buck 50, horse and sleigh to	
East village 50, services of wife and Mrs. Winship during the	
sickness and death of Betsey Marstin 1.00,	3.15
Jona. Keith, 3 prs shoes 3.91, 4 bu potatoes 2.20,	6.11
Horace Fisher, work on town farm,	95
D. F. Johnson, Fare to Stevens boy 17, fixing saw twice for	
Mr Welch 28, putty for Heath 10, 100 lbs Lime for Heath	
1.06, wood saw and frame put in order for Mr Welch 1.50,	
target for Heath pr S. Choate. 17.	2.38

Dorset Heath, 1252 lbs potatoes, 75 cts per bush	15.56
R. C. Bryant, 1 bu corn 1.25, 11 1-2 lbs dried apple 66, 15 lbs ham 1.50, 4 1-2 lbs butter 1.60, 1 cord wood 1.00, 8 1-2 lbs butter 1.97, 10 lbs sugar 70, 2 1-2 days chopping by Oliver Jackson 1.67, work of girl 3.00, 3 1-4 cords wood 5.75, one cow 35.00, 51 lbs sugar 4.08, 53 lbs mutton for Collins 3.18, 1 pr Steers 65.00, 74 1-2 lbs flour and shorts for Collins 4.50,	130.86
Amos French for use of bull (2 cows)	63
Eben Little Jr. services for appraising property	75
Thomas Wier, boarding Heber Kidder 10 weeks	15.00
F. S. Bliss, School books for Collins children,	48
R. C. Bryant, postage and stationary,	1.50
N. W. Westgate, making indenture for Houston boy,	1.00
R. C. Bryant, services Overseer of the Poor, Time spent in procuring the services of man and wife for town farm 2.00, aiding Thurston family 1.00, procuring provisions for Maxwell family 1.50, buying provisions and carrying the same to town farm 1.50, taking invoice March 31st, 1855, 50, 3 visits to town farm 1.50, buying and drawing wood for Mr Welch 2.50, carrying S. Stevens to farm 75, settling Thurston's bill 75, Time spent for Walker's family 1.25, do. for Maxwell family 1.50, looking after county paupers 1.50, time spent in buying hay, potatoes and a shoat 2.00, going to North Enfield buying provisions and drawing the same to farm 1.50, time spent in buying cattle for farm 1.00, Amount of time spent for G. Fisher 5.00, do for W. Collins 2.50, 3 visits to farm 1.50, going to North Enfield for provisions for farm 1.00, time spent in selling cattle 1.00, time spent in relation to the funeral of Betsey Marstin 2.00, binding Houston boy to D. M. Stevens 2.00, time spent Feb. 1856, in making invoice and making out report 5.00, time spent in going to Springfield on pauper case 2.00, do. going to Grantham 1.00,	43.75
Amount paid out by Overseer,	\$1028.20
Estimated due John R. Heath for labor on farm,	225.00
Whole expense of the poor, including the increased value of Stock, provisions and produce on farm,	1253.20
Deduct increased value of stock provisions and produce on farm,	230.58
Expenses of all the Poor,	1022.62
Rec'd fr. Lebanon, Newport, Hill & Gilmanton, 99.61	
Rec'd of the county, 100.00 and now due fr. do. 125.05	324.66
Expenses of the poor belonging to this town,	697.96
not at the farm,	164.67
at the farm,	533.29
Income from the farm,	232.15
Expense of the poor at the farm more than the income of the same,	301.14
Number of Town Paupers at the farm, 11.	

Appraisal of Property.

On the the 31st day of March, 1855, there was an appraisal made of the live stock, provisions and produce on the farm as follows by J. C. Clough, Eben Little, Jr., and R. C. Bryant, to wit: 3000 lbs hay at 16,00; 2 oxen at 115,00; 2 steers at 58,00; 3 cows at 75,00; 2 yearlings at 20,00; 9 sheep at 22,00; 6 hens 2,00; 2 turkey ,75; 3000 lbs straw 1,00; 2 pelts 1.50; 4 bush wheat 10,00; 30 lbs hams 3,00; 15 bush potatoes 7,60; 40 lbs pork 4,00; 2 lds butter ,50. \$336,25

Making this appraisal about 141 dollars less than the appraisal of the same property (except what was consumed) made by the overseer of 1854, on the 17th day of Feb. 1855, as appears by the last year's report:

The appraisal of the property on the farm at the present time, (Feb. 21st, 1856) is as follows:—to wit, 14 1-2 tons hay 145,00; 2 1-2 tons straw 10,00; 2 oxen 130,00; 2 steers 90,00; 3 cows 90,00; 8 bush wheat 18,00; 2 1-2 bush rye 3,00; 4 bush beans 8,00; 1 bush peas 2,00; 2 bu oats 1,00; 1-2 bu salt ,35; 46 lbs fresh pork 4,00; 29 lbs steak 2,90; 15 lbs beef 1,20; 9 sheep 27,00; 1 1-4 bbl soap 4,50; 1 bbl cider 1,50; 200 lbs beef 14,00; 250 lbs pork 25,00; 150 bu potatoes 45,00; 18 lbs candles 3,00; 1-2 bbl cucumbers 2,00; 80 lbs cheese 8,00; 100 lbs ham 12,50; 10 hens 3,00; 27 lbs tallow 3,57; 67 lbs lard 8,45; 5 gall boiled cider 2,00; 1-2 bbl apple sauce 3,00; 40 lbs butter 10,00; 89 lbs dried apple 5,34; 1-2 bbl of soap grease 2,00; 3 1-2 lbs yarn 1,75;—2 1-4 do 1,80; 1 cart 16,00; 1 harrow 2,75; 1 drag 1,00; 3 ploughs 11,00; 1 iron bar 1,00; beetle and wedge 1,00; 1 hoe ,50; 2 shovels 2,25; 1 manure fork ,75; 3 hay forks 1,00; 1 tined hoe ,50; 2 ox sleds 6,50; 2 yokes, bows and irons 4,00; 4 scythes and snaths 1,50; 5 axes 3,50; 1 grindstone 2,50; 1 winnowing mill 4,00; 4 rakes ,75; 1 large rake ,50; 1 auger ,25; 1 chisel ,40; 1 iron square ,42; 4 meat bbls 2,50; 1 shave 1,00;—1 grain measure ,50; 17 tin pans 3,06; 1 cider bbl ,75; 10 gall vinegar 2,00; 1 vinegar keg ,34; 1 molasses do. 34; 1 gall bottle ,17; 3 wash tubs 1,50; 1 do 84; 3 baskets 1,00; 1 cheese tongs ,25; 4 pails 1,50; 1 tin pail ,42; 3 butter tubs ,75; 1 tray 17; 1 three gall jar ,50; 1 churn 1,50; 1 sauce bbl 1,00; 1 nappy 12; 1 keg pickles ,34; 1 sauce tub 1,00; 1 cheese press 1,50; 4 tables 4,00; 1 light stand ,75; 18 chairs 2,50; 2 woollen wheels 1,00; 1 linen wheel ,25; 1 gall jug, 1 nappy 17; 24 plates 1,00; 18 cups and saucers ,50; 8 bowls ,64; 1 coffee pot ,17; 3 tea pots 34; 1 pr shovel and tongs 1,00; 10 vessels 1,00; 18 knives and forks 1,62; 1 tin steamer 17; 2 water dippers ,17; 10 tin basins ,75; 1 tin keeler ,30; 3 sad irons ,75; 1 tin boiler 1,75; 1 cupboard 2,00; 1 cupboard 5,00; 1 sink 2,00; 1 small cupboard ,50; 1 tea kettle ,67; 1 pitcher ,17; 1 dinner pot ,50; 2 fry pans ,75; 1 iron boiler ,67; 3 iron kettles 1,25; 1 iron kettle ,75; 1 iron pot ,67; 1 copper bottom kettle 1,00; 3 stoves and pipe 23,00;—10 beds and bedding 75,00; 8 towels ,80; 2 table cloths ,75; 1

bureau 4,00 ; pr steelyards ,42 ; 1 drip pan ,50 ; 2 bread pans ,18 ;
 2 cream pots 17 ; 1 bean pot ,10 ; 1 mortar ,25 ; 8 yds sheeting
 ,67 ; 1 sugar bucket ,50 ; 6 candlesticks ,75 ; 1 padlock ,13 ; 1
 woodsaw and frame 1,00 ; 10 meal bags 2,00 ; 1 glass lantern ,67 ;
 1 bridle chains 2,00 ; 3 draft chains 4,25 ; 3 looking glasses
 1,00 ; 2 five pail kettles 2,50 ; 73 sap buckets 2,50 ; 1 brass ket-
 tle 1,50 ; 800 feet lumber 3,00 ; 1 large iron shovel 2,00 ; 3 doz
 socks 8,00.

Total amount invoiced Feb. 21st, 1856 \$832,65.

REPORT

OF THE DOINGS OF EDWARD STORY, LIQUOR AGENT, BEGINNING SEP-
 TEMBER, 13TH, 1855, ENDING FEBRUARY, 10TH, 1856.

The Selectmen charge him with the foregoing am't of Liquors that they paid for as pr Bills, amounting to	\$103,88
to Cash paid for his services as Agent	21,49

\$125,37

The Selectmen credit him for Liquors sold at 33 pr ct. profit as pr his Books, amounting to	\$77,53
Cr. by the amount of Liquor now on hand net sold at cost	50,94

\$128,47

Which leaves a balance in favor of the Town of \$3.10

No. ENFIELD, Feb. 22., 1856

THE TOWN OF ENFIELD TO J. J. FRYE, DR.

To Cash paid for Liquors	\$152,55	
To Services as Agent	33,33	\$185,88
Cr.		
By Liquors sold at 33 pr ct. profit	\$137,72	
By Liquors on hand	49,26	\$186,98
Balance in Agent's hands	1,10	

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF ENFIELD

The Superintending School Committee having discharged the duties of their office, would respectfully submit the following Report of the condition of the district schools in this town, during the past year:

DISTRICT NO. I.

Summer School taught by Miss SOPHRONIA VAUGHAN.

This School was much too large. Few teachers would have been able to sustain its labors. Miss Vaughan however, by the aid of her experience, and by her "aptness to teach," brought it to a successful termination. It was one of our most judiciously managed schools. We trust this district will not attempt to place all of its scholars in one room another season. Length of school, 12 weeks. No. of scholars, 48. B.

The Winter school was divided into two departments. Higher department taught by Miss LUCY F. BARTLETT. This school we regret to say, was a failure. The teacher although apparently desirous to do well, failed to win the love of many of her pupils.— They manifested little interest in their studies, and were restless and noisy. We think those who would succeed in teaching, should endeavor to obtain the respect and sympathy of both the parents and scholars. Undoubtedly this district is now satisfied that the services of a thorough male teacher are required in it's larger school during the Winter.

Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 25.

Lower department taught by Miss EMELINE E. FOLLANSBEE.— Miss Follansbee taught a private school in this district between the summer and winter terms. Such was her success that the district demanded her services during the winter. She had a noble army

of "little ones," and we think they were all pleased and profited by her instructions. Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 30. B.

DISTRICT NO. II.

Summer School taught by Miss CAROLINE CHESLEY.

This school opened well. Although the improvement was not as great as we anticipated in the spring, yet the scholars made considerable advancement. In this school we heard some fine reading, and very interesting lessons in Arithmetic and Geography.

Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 9.

Winter School taught by Mr. WILLIAM W. CHASE. This was Mr. Chase's first school. He made a good beginning. He was industrious, animated and thorough. We put this down as one of our most profitable schools.

Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 10. B.

DISTRICT NO. III.

Summer School taught by Miss LAURA J. PACKARD.

This school for several reasons was a failure. The teacher was too young and inexperienced,—the district was not united, and the school-house looks bad enough, to frighten almost any teacher, or scholar, into the commission of mistakes and mischief.

Length of school, 9 weeks. No. of scholars, 9.

Fall school taught by Miss CAROLINE PAGE, who kept a good school, and so far as we know, gave satisfaction to all in the district. With a good school-house, and union of feeling among the parents; this would be one of our most interesting schools.

Length of school, 8 3-4 weeks. No. of scholars, 12. B.

DISTRICT NO. IV.

Summer and Winter School included in one term. Taught by Miss FRANCIS A. FERNALD.

This school was composed of small scholars, and they were not very forward when it commenced. The improvement was commendable. The teacher appeared interested in her scholars, and the scholars were pleased with their teacher. When this is the case, a mutual benefit is generally the result. So it was in this district.

Length of school, 18 weeks. No. of scholars, 11. B.

DISTRICT NO. V.

Summer and Winter School included in one term. Taught by Miss MARY L. CHOATE.

This school was not satisfactory to the district, but we do not charge the failure so much upon the teacher, as we do upon circumstances which *should not* have influenced the character of the school. If parents *will* quarrel among themselves, surely those whom they employ to teach their children ought not to suffer for

it. Personal difficulties should never govern the conduct of school committees, or parents.

Length of school, 13 weeks. No. of scholars, 10. B.

DISTRICT NO. VI.

Summer and Winter Schools included in one term. Taught by MR. GUSTAVUS KIMBALL.

We regret to say that this school was not what we desired.—The teacher lacked energy and a proper interest in his pupils.—We are told he sometimes neglected to hear classes recite for days, and even weeks. This school was shortened by taking board out of the school money.

Length of school, 8 weeks. No. of scholars, 13. C.

DISTRICT NO. VII.

Summer and Winter Schools included in one term. Taught by Miss ELIZABETH W. JOHNSON.

In the Spring the scholars in this school were more advanced than any others in town, nor were they willing to leave off where they began. At the close of a long term of 21 weeks, they had gathered a rich store of knowledge. Miss Johnson is an experienced and able teacher. It is a pity that *such* a school could not be sheltered by a better school-house.

No. of scholars, 16. B.

DISTRICT NO. VIII.

Summer and Winter Schools included in one term. Taught by Miss HARRIETT A. SMITH.

This was a good school. Miss Smith is a thorough teacher.—Her scholars know their places and are always in them. In not more than one other school have we found the scholars so familiar with the studies pursued.

Length of school, 15 weeks. No. of scholars, 10. C.

DISTRICT NO. IX.

Summer School taught by Miss FLORETTE S. PEELER.

This was Miss Peeler's first experience in teaching. We think her success should encourage her to persevere in the business.—We believe there was very general satisfaction with her mode of instruction. Her school was continued four weeks by subscription.

Length of school, 12 weeks. No. of scholars, 16.

Winter School taught by Miss SUSAN R. BARNEY, who improved it very much. Miss Barney is no great lover of display, but as a thorough, practical and systematic teacher, she has few equals. We have visited no schools in which the scholars passed a better examination, than in this.

Length of school, 12 weeks. No. of scholars, 16. B.

DISTRICT NO. X.

Summer School taught by Miss AUGUSTA E. SARGENT.

This was quite a large school. Near its commencement a spirit of disorder entered it, which nearly destroyed its usefulness.—Miss Sargent was not adapted to this school, but as this was her first attempt, she may make a successful teacher notwithstanding her ill luck in this.

Length of school, 11 weeks. No. of scholars, not registered.

Winter School taught by CHARLES McDANIEL.

Mr. McDaniel made a great change in the appearance of the school. He restored to it perfect order, and greatly improved the scholars in their studies. He proved himself to be a competent teacher.

Length of school, 8 weeks. No. of scholars, 23. C.

DISTRICT NO. XI.

Summer School taught by Miss ELVIRA J. JOHNSON.

This school was large, and composed principally of small scholars. It is difficult to keep such schools in the best order. In this, however, Miss Johnson was very successful. Her school appeared well, and made rapid and sure progress. She well deserves her good reputation as a teacher.

Length of school, 12 weeks. No. of scholars, not registered.

Winter School taught by CHARLES McDANIEL.

This was the largest and most advanced winter school. When visited by our County Commissioners he called it "the best large school he had found." We visited it near its close, and found it much improved. The classes in Geography were well prepared for examination. Writing, which is in many of our schools too much neglected here received a due share of attention. Mr. McDaniel is a very laborious teacher,—he is devoted, mind, soul and body to the work of his calling. If scholars, would feel as great an interest in *district* schools they would improve more than they now do.

Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 42. B.

DISTRICT NO. XII.

Summer and Winter Schools taught by Miss HARRIETT A. JOHNSON.

During both the Summer and Winter terms, this school was well taught—it was one of our best schools. The teacher sought to make her labors beneficial to her scholars. She gave no superficial instruction, but was very thorough and methodical. We put her down as a model teacher, and her school as a model school.

Length of Summer School, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 26.

Length of Winter School, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 25. C.

DISTRICT NO. XIII.

Church Family Shakers, Summer School taught by MARY M. IRISH.

This was a very interesting school to visit. The scholars were all quite young, but, this fact only added a charm to the perfect order which they maintained. Our Shaker schools, if they do not contain as advanced scholars as some others, surely excel in keeping good order. We were greatly pleased with all the exercises of the closing examination.

Winter School taught by HENRY CUMMINGS. He is an old and well qualified teacher. His school has not yet closed, and it has been visited only once by the Committee. We doubt not that it is doing well, for its teacher "understands well the responsible duties imposed upon him." B.

DISTRICT NO. XIV.

Summer School taught by Miss ABBY HUBBARD.

As we had no notice of the close of this school, it was visited only once. Only six scholars belonged to the school. The teacher was very young. She doubtless, succeeded as well as any one would, in so small a school.

Winter School taught by J. HOWARD PATTEE. He had 9 scholars. Classes in Algebra, Arithmetic and Grammar, passed a good examination. We consider this one of our successful schools.

Length of school, 9 weeks. B.

DISTRICT NO. XV.

Summer School taught by Miss LUCINDA W. STICKNEY.

We visited this school at its commencement, and were pleased with its appearance. The teacher was sick and closed before her engagement expired. We are informed that she gave general satisfaction in the district.

Length of school, 6 weeks. No. of scholars, 18.

Winter School taught by SETH P. SARGENT. This district now has a new and convenient school-house, which was built last fall. We regret that the parents are not better united. They have about the proper number of scholars, and with union of feeling, they might have a good school. We believe Mr. Sargent taught to very good acceptance. His school passed a very good examination.

Length of school, 7 1-11 weeks. No. of scholars, 22. C.

DISTRICT NO. XVI.

Summer school taught by Miss MARY O. CHOATE.

Miss Choate had never taught before. She was unfortunate in obtaining so small a school. A school of a half doz. scholars is no test of a teacher's ability to instruct. Her success was as good as could have been expected.

Length of school, 8 weeks. No. of scholars, 9.

Winter school taught by Miss MALVINA BUSWELL, who, we believe, has taught in the district several previous terms. By her faithful and judicious labors, she has won the confidence of the district. Her method of discipline is "suitable employment for all—every thing in its proper time and place—no whispering offenders."

Length of school, 10 2-3 weeks. No. of scholars, 8. B.

DISTRICT NO. XVII.

Summer School taught by Miss ELIZABETH F. LITTLE.

Miss Little was another new teacher. We hope, for the sake of our schools, that her services will be procured in town another season. We have seldom witnessed more improvement in the appearance of a school than in her's. Commendable improvement was also made by the scholars in their respective studies. To such new teachers we say "go on."

Length of school, 9 weeks. No. of scholars, 15. B.

Winter School taught by MR. S. D. STEVENS.

This school, for some reason, was not satisfactory to the district. Some of the scholars, we have been informed, were taken from the school before its close. We think Mr. Stevens would greatly improve himself, as a teacher, by being more energetic and thorough in his instructions. B.

Length of school, 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 20.

DISTRICT NO. XVIII.

Barker Family, Shakers. Summer and Winter terms taught by PHEBE ATWOOD. She has taught this school many years, and has always sustained the reputation of being a good teacher. We think her success during the past year, as good as ever. During the summer the school was composed of 11 small girls. During the winter, of 14 boys. Length of Summer School, 12 weeks.—Length of Winter School, 11 weeks. B.

From the foregoing Report of the condition of our schools, we derive the following suggestions. Many of our schools are too short. Their brevity is occasioned by a want of money, suitable school-houses, scholars, harmony among parents, and an interest in common school education. The town should raise more school money. The amount appropriated to schools the past year did not equal two dollars per scholar. The town of Enfield is able, and *should be willing* to do more than this to promote the education of the young. All parts should be united, to aid this common interest. Many of our schools are so small that they are worthless.—A school of six or seven scholars can not be made profitable. A union of some of our districts might easily be effected. Districts Nos. 2 and 9 would together make a good school of 25 scholars.—District Nos. 4 and 5 should be united. District No. 8 should be merged in Districts Nos. 7 and 17. Many of our school-houses are miserable shanties. Those in Districts Nos. 3, 6, 7, 8, are

fit only for fuel. Why do not some of our wealthy parents live in *such* houses? In several of the districts the usefulness of our schools has been destroyed by dissensions among parents. Were the parents the only sufferers by these feuds, they would be comparatively harmless. But, by them, children are deprived of needed instruction, and teachers are burdened with unpleasant difficulties. No lover of public schools will make useless trouble in them.

Throughout the town there is a great lack of interest in schools. Prudential Committees frequently neglect to notify the Superintending Committee of the commencement and close of their schools. Do they know that the law requires it? They seldom visit the schools in their respective districts,—this is a neglect.—Too many young and incompetent teachers are employed, *because* they work *cheap*.—this is poor policy. A *good* teacher always works the cheapest. Parents neglect to visit schools, and yet often find fault with their teachers. Such things should not be, they are evils resulting from a want of interest in education, and until they are removed our schools will not do their most beneficent work.—Trustees and Parents must understand that our schools *can not* prosper without their attention and effort. Scholars should be required to attend school with greater punctuality and constancy, and should be indulged in fewer of those amusements which withdraw their minds from their schools. We hope these suggestions will receive due consideration.

B.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. S. BLISS.	} Superintending	
B. W. CLOUGH.		School
B. F. SKINNER.		Committee.

Enfield, March, 1856.

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